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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated January 24, 2002 (copy enclosed), applicants submits an executed declaration. Also enclosed is a certified English transaction, preliminary amendment, certified copies of German 100 54 735.4 filed November 6, 2000 and 101 52 490.0 filed October 24, 2001 and a check for \$1000.00. If any additional fees are due to maintain pendency of this application, authorization is granted to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0624.

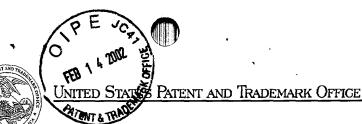
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- · The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 740 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
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